



**HEALTH OFFICER**  
**Contracted Position - Part-Time 0.2 FTE on-site**  
**and on-call via phone/e-mail 24/7**  
**Posting # 20-29**

**MASON COUNTY EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITY**

**Opening Date:** July 20, 2020

**Closing Date:** Open Until Filled

**Department:** Public Health & Human Services

**Monthly Salary:** \$3,380 - \$4,725

**Job Summary**

Working in collaboration with the Community Services Director, and Mason County Board of Health, the health officer responsibilities include the enforcement of local and state public health laws, serving as the chief medical officer for the local health jurisdiction with responsibility for the control and prevention of disease. The health officer enforces the public health statutes of the state and the rules promulgated by the State Board of Health and the Secretary of Health. This is a contracted position.

**Examples of Duties**

Under policy direction from the local Board(s) of Health, the Health Officer is responsible for and empowered to enforce the provisions of RCW 70.05.070, RCW 70.58.020 and other applicable state laws. Duties require innovative leadership and active collaboration with a wide range of strategic partners and stakeholders to address public health issues in a rapidly changing environment.

The Health Officer is expected to apply to varied and complex work situations a thorough and complete knowledge of policies and procedures related to the practice of medicine, in addition to a thorough and complete knowledge of public health programs, laws and regulations. The candidate provides medically accurate, scientifically proven advice or guidance to the Board of Health, the Director, agency staff, the local medical community, internal and/or external advisory council(s), local, state, tribal and federal public health partners, the media, and the public.

Additionally, the Health Officer is required to help identify priorities and emerging trends, communicate health data and information in a variety of settings, and assist with planning for and response to bioterrorist and other public health emergencies. In coordination with communications personnel, the Health Officer will often act as spokesperson and media contact for the local health jurisdiction. The Health Officer is also expected to work closely and communicate regularly with the medical community and other community groups to build credibility for public health.

**Minimum Requirements**

Doctor of Medicine or Osteopathy degree **and** a Master's degree in Public Health in accordance with RCW 70.05.051. Current licensure to practice medicine in the State of Washington, registration with the Drug Enforcement Agency for prescription of controlled substances, valid Washington State Driver's license or ability to obtain one within 30 days of hire.

Five years' experience as a licensed practicing medical provider and increasingly responsible experience in public health, epidemiology, infectious disease, preventive medicine or a related area. In place of the 5 years experience, the applicant may possess any combination of relevant education and experience which would demonstrate the individual's knowledge, skill, and ability to perform the essential duties and responsibilities listed above. Experience with tuberculosis patient care, preferred.

A driving record which meets the requirements of Mason County's insurance carrier. Passing Washington State Patrol background check pursuant to RCW 43.43.830.

**Application & Selection Process**

Interested applicants are required to submit a letter of intent and resume via e-mail to: [dwindom@co.mason.wa.us](mailto:dwindom@co.mason.wa.us) or regular mail to:

**Mason County Community Services – Public Health and Human Services**  
**Attn: Dave Windom, Director of Community Services**  
**415 N 5<sup>th</sup> Street**  
**Shelton, WA 98584**

Equal Opportunity - Affirmative Action Employer

Drug-free Work Environment

**Affirmative Action/Equal Employment Opportunity** – Mason County is an equal opportunity employer committed to fair employment practices without regard to race, color, religion, creed, sex, age, marital status, national origin, veteran services, or individuals with disabilities.

**Accommodation** – Applicants with a disability requiring accommodation during the selection process should notify the Human Resources Department at (360) 427-9670 Ext. 290.